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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Re: U.S. Divisional Application of Serial No.: 09/708,514
 Application of Tsuyoshi KITAHARA
 INK-JET RECORDING HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE
 SAME
Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION
 Our Ref: Q80114

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/708,514 (Confirmation No. 1708) filed November 16, 2000 of Tsuyoshi KITAHARA entitled INK-JET RECORDING HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 22 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2861.

Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Japan | 1999-321328 | November 11, 1999 |
| Japan | 1999-328458 | November 18, 1999 |
| Japan | 2000-19135 | January 27, 2000 |
| Japan | 2000-290507 | September 25, 2000 |

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/708,514.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | 17 - 20 | = | | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independent claims | 3 - 3 | = | | x | \$86.00 | = | \$0.00 |
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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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